

Sermons of Walter Stafford Swetnam, PhD **(1900 – 2000)**

Minibiography

Walter Stafford Swetnam, PhD, was born in Blaine, Kentucky on 22 October 1900. He was a life-long Presbyterian, and served the Presbyterian Church (US) for many years. He was an educational missionary to Brazil from 1935 to 1949, afterwards serving as a Presbyterian minister in churches in Amite / Arcola, Louisiana, Cicemelle, Alabama, and Rock Island, Tennessee. He also served in numerous small churches in Florida, Mississippi and Alabama in the late 1920s and early 1930s. He earned his BA from the University of Alabama, and his BD from Columbia Theological Seminary (Columbia, SC), his ThM from Auburn Theological Seminary (Auburn, NY), and his PhD from Hartford Theological Seminary (Hartford, CT, 1940).

About this collection of sermons

Walter Stafford Swetnam always preferred to write his sermons on the backs of used envelopes! These sermons presented here represent only a small number of the many sermons he delivered in his lifetime. They are presented in no particular order, most date from 1949 to the mid 1970s.

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"I will establish my covenant" - Gen. 15
 In it - Genesis - the story really begins
 with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The story
 of God's call to Abraham

1. Go out, to where I show you - Heb. "Not
 knowing whither he went"

2. I will make of you a people

3. Years of wandering to find WALKING, eat
 ing to find WALKING, seeking to find HOW

4. God made known to him, in a dream (cf.
 ch. 15) - It is the place, the time begins
 NOW, and I am the NOW.

5. The Covenant was the relationship them
 established, I will be their God, ... people

6. God, "agreement" bet. two or more -
 but God made all the terms - man only agree

7. To you, and your children - generations
 8. God demands righteousness of all men,
 because he is holy, but to his people offer

9. A Covenant of Grace
 10. Walk before me and be blameless. Rep
 on't Abraham

11. Abraham believed... righteousness. He
 accepted God, on God's terms

12. God offered, not only a demand, but
 possibility of A., particip. in holiness

13. This Gov. went through many forms, finally
 resulting complete form in X and the church

14. The sign of the covenant
 1. Circ. symbol of holiness, not reality

2. To reject the sign is to reject Gov.
 3. Baptism in Xian church the sign

4. Gen. The covenant is still in effect. In
 it, God offers to life, by his grace, Apart
 from it, we are already dead,

Given by God, I, ...
 ... of talking to me
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SEEING OURSELVES IN PERSPECTIVE

1. ... I SEE THAT I AM NOT TO THINK OF MYSELF
MORE HIGHLY... COME JUDGMENT... IN A MOMENT OF BATH

INT. - MYSELF ON GOD, FALL MEN TO GINGER
HENDY ON ALLM INCLUDING OURSELVES
I MYSELF OF IDENTITY

1. ONLY ONE WE TO EACH ONE, HELP TO THE CHAN
THE ON THE UNIFORM - SELF BEHOLD. INT LAY
2. THE IN ESSENTIALLY MEANS, EXALTATION
ON BELM AGAINST GOD

3. BUT IN ME, BOUNDLESS GOD, I AM LONG, BOM
CAN WE SEE BE OUT OF MYSELF

4. THINK WITH GOD JUDGMENT
1. DANCE OF PACE - ALL THEO BE, MYSELF M/
GOD, FLINT NOT IN THEO GOD, GOD MEATS

PROUD, SHAD TO LAY IN - ME, THE COLOR MEET
ON CEVEN DEADLY LING - NOT AS OTHER MEN WHEN
2. YET BEITUCH SHOULD WE BE UNBIDNUL OF OUR
ONE VALUE

IN WE HAVE BEEN MOREST, LAW ABIDING, TRUTH
MIL, GELIZUT, TEMERATE, KING, SO COM BERTIN
IN IN CHUNGE WE HAVE AGENTED MEIN, COME
DUN BEST TO BE FAITHFUL, COME EGOET, BUT ABER
NOT BEITUCH WE HAVEBT

1. WE HAVE STUDIOS, ATTACHED WITH CIGARET
IN MIND, DAY AT MY CONTRITION

GOD HAS REVERED... A LOTICE, THERE I STAND
H OUT BUT THE WHIT BERING CHEFLET ANOMELY -

1. BY FAITH WE COM OURSELVES IN PERSPECTIVE
ANTS ALONE ON EQUAL, BUT ALL PART OF BODY

2. TO SEE BEAR, THAT BESTO ON SE, ACT ON IT
3. THIS FAITH NOT OUR ACHEMENT, GOD H GIV
4. TO SEE OURSELVES AND ALL OTHERS CONNECT

ON GOD'S ASPECT, KNOW THAT WHAT WE BEET
ON KROM, CH OY, ON HENT, ON MAT BINGORE, EVEN
IF MUCH OF IT COME THING COM EY-ENTH. 10 11

JOHN'S GIVE

The God of Repentance

Answer me, O Lord, that this people may
know that thou art God, and that thou hast
turned their hearts back. - 1 Kings 18:37

1. Prophets (root meaning: announce, make known)
2. Assembly (root meaning: assemble, make known)

3. Pagan Idol had them - Delphi, Cassandra
4. Thus with the Lord's (sometimes of the
often of present duty) to others, others.

5. But see, Elijah, outstretched prophet and
forerunner of many - some wrote books
11. Content with M-H

1. Parol of abel well documented
2. Shul (Chevreh) god of fertility, esp. of
barren, springs, and particularly of male

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barren, springs, and particularly of male
- worshipped by Canaanites, Phoenicians.

4. Did proph, of Saul think fire would
come? Did they try bribe, suspect bribe?

5. Who is lightning? From afar? Or her
clouds already begun to gather

6. Uncontaminated of line of little worth
unless followed by SAH 4.1

1. Not just for something spectacular, to
CONVINCE, did he fear it would happen? Did
he BELIEVE? So, look toward what to be

2. Not just for rain, badly he that was not
8. For people to know GOD, the God of the
Covenant, to whom they belonged, even if
they had forsaken him

4. The God of Repentance, who had turned
them back to himself, who continually turns
repellence into grace.

PROPHETICAL GUIDANCE

WHEN HE WOULD NOT BE HEBRODIA, WE DEARED
AND SAID, THE WILL OF THE LORD IS DONE. IT
- ACTS 21:14

INT. - Decision to HAVE, UNMET IN MIND
1. NEW ONE GOD CALL RECALL INTO SENTENCE?

2. EXAMINING COMMITTEE - "HOP ON TED HAD
YOU SEE A ISSUE, WHAT NAME YOU THINK WE
ARE CALLED TO SEE MISTAKE?"

3. FORWARD THING - DAN WE HEAR, "HOP ON TED HAD
4. VARIOUS ON CHURCH - THE SEE HIM, DOE, MI

IT CHRISTIANITY GUIDANCE
1. 40% 1616-10, BUTTISE ARE ONE, CHEMIE
2. NOT IMPALABLE - SAME OF THE 8-11

3. BUT AN IMPROD VOICE (ALSO BY THE SHAIT
EAT, "HOPABLE AS HET, YOU MUST BE")
4. SOME OF ARE DECEITERS MADE ME US - EOM

WE MUST HAVE - CE THOMASTVILLE, 1921
5. IMPLEMENTATION DESIRES, 1922 - GEORGE
III THE WILL ON THE LORD BE ONE

1. THAT, OF COURSE, SHOULD BE STANDING AT
- NA, HIM I CAN'T HAVE AT WAT, LET GOD MAY
WIS, I OUT MISO MUST GOD'S WILL BE

2. HAS GOD'S WILL MAY BE EMINENT AMON WE
WE HAD COMPOSED EXPERIENCE AN ATROCI, VOIC
OF GOD TO OFFICE AS WELL AS TO ME, HET EAVE

3. CERTAINTY WE CAN EVEN HATE, WE ALWAYS
WALA BY FAITH, NET BY EIGHT, BUT CONVICTION
ASSURANCE, CERTAINT FAITH, YEE.

4. "ETEM HAD ANY COUNTS OF CALLING'S INHET,
FLUCT HAD IF WAS WE LEANT?

AND THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE XITTING OF OUR LOTS.

ITAIN IS MY COMPTONARY, YYY YOU LOTT OTE

YENCE TO I TAKE LERO TOT, II -JOTA 15112

HOW BARE SHALL ALL AS A BACON -- JOAN 13135

1. A -- JAVY'LL STOM WE ACT XIADZ--

1. MY YOU LOBB TABEE THAT LOTS YU-----

1. TRY TO AINT TOTEE ASA CAGU'S HONTE -

EASY NO LOBB OTALLES - CLETT, WHITTE, BELL

SEBATO CHANGES - BUT NOT ALL LIT TAYT -

... EITHER DE YUUA CHAY - PROBLEMS, TAYPER

THATERS, REBELLOUS TOUTH, ETC.

2. EASY TO LOTS NATIONS IN AFRIC - NOTIS

AS LITACORON - EASY TO PROMOTE MITIONS

THAT REACH ATRIGA OADN TO BIAS MYTHS - TIM

THIS BEING HONRY TS AGRTZ

3. HARD TO LOBB TAB NATA FORECASTS, CO. CTINIS

THAT BO LOVE BLAKES THAT RAREST HAPPLERS

4. DOT JERTS SAIC, MY YOU JUST LOTE BAGES

MHE LOVE YU-----LOBB YUUA ENHIMIN - TATT IS

REALLY TOUCH, SUB LATS PTCE LY, HE EVID PYS

1. BUY SURELY HE CTR LOVE OUR FELLOW EITIS

1. RAAYER TOR XIAA UNITY - WHYT BOBY OF UNITY

2. JAY THY AT SARED OR TUTTAL LOTE ATE

THOSE WOLDO AS WORSHAPERS - BUT OTH WE LOVS

OTT ME TRUBS, STR AELLOW XIANS?

3. HARD TO LOVE AS ANTIGANS, TTON IT ALL.

UNABELLING TO CONDORE ANYTHIAS

4. HOTS TO LOVS TAL BEBICIGOTS, FEGALIA THAT

ACT TAY DAY OF JUDGMENT AND WILL PRINCE

ACCEPOT FOR EITRY CHIELESS WHEN THEY UTTER.

1. EITRE IS A GREAT DRY COMING

2. CATCHY TAY TLOTT ELLITON, TAY - SA CAT.

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FFITH, RESISTANCE AND COMFORT

1. THE PARABLES TO THE LATTERS OF THE
THE FUTURE OF GOD FOR THEMSELVES, NOT AFTER
OTHER BAPTIST AT HIM (J. STAFFORD) - LATE 7/30
181 - "WE HAVE THE FUTURE FUTURE TO BE
MUCH TO DO" - PHOENIX AND COTTAGE V

1. FIFTH TWO UNCLIFF

1. PHOENIX FOR LATTERS OF THE - HPT FFL
TOBT BAPTIST LATTER FFL

2. SOME ATTITUDE, SOME FORMERLY CHRISTIAN
LATTER, PUBLICLY REJECT IT, THEY AFFIRM
FF TPT ONLY MATERIAL THINGS ARE IMPORTANT
3. TPT LEARNING FOR MORE IN THE FFL ONLY
4. ASK THE FFL FOR FFL IN THIS WORLD
5. TPT "FL WHO PHOTOS TO HEL" IN "GOD BAPT"
- TPT IS F PHOTOS OF TPTIN MORE, BAPT
2. HAT WHO PHOTOS WITH TPTIN BELIEF
FF TPT GOD WITH THE WORLD, BPT CAME NO
-ONE THOUGHT
3. TPT GOD PHOTOS ABOUT GOD ALSO OF FFL, H
AT TPTIN

4. TPT WE ALL GO TO HEPTER WHEN WE BPT, NO
HPTER WHAT WE GO HERE
5. TPT WHAT HPTER ATTITUDE IS WEALTH, POWER
SUCCESS

6. FFL OF COTTER TPT IS NOT WITH WITH
1. FFL TWO RESISTANCE, ~~THEY ARE~~ WITH
1. IF WE WILL BELIEVE IN ~~THEY ARE~~ WE BAPTIST
2. TPT GOD STILL HAS TO BAPT LIFE, IN BPT
3. TPT THIS BAPT LIFE IS IMPORTANT FFL
STAFFORD FFL

4. TPT WE HAVE NO MORE FFL TPTIN FROM IF
5. TPT GOD STAY ABOUT ALL FFL, CALL
ALL OF THEM TO GET HIMSELF

2. RESISTANCE IS TPTIN FROM UNBELIEF TO FFL
FROM UNBELIEF TO BPTIN, FFL, BPTIN TO LPT
3. IF WE REJECT THIS, WE TPT NO TO BPT
1. FFL AT RESISTANCE, IS COMFORT
2. COMFORT, RESISTANCE, BAPTIN

MY MESSAGE

PARABLE, I HAVE MY MESSAGE - MATA 31
INT. - THESE WILL WE PUT HILPONT
END OF GOD OF THE HILPONT
1. THE WORD OF THE LORD TO LATTERS OF THE
1. I HAVE LATER GOD - HILPONT, OTHERS BPT
IT, WE HAVE TPTIN TO ALL OUR LIVES. (and
2. BPT RESISTANCE TPTIN BPT, HPT BAPT
LOOK LIKE LATE TO ME - TPTIN TO HPTIN
3. THE TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
OF GOD'S RESISTANCE LOVE - LOOK AT LPTIN
4. BUT ONE STILL BPT, HPT, HPT BAPT
PHOTOS, WHAT'S THE USE? 311 - BAPTIN
EOTH RESISTANCE, LOOK IT OTHERS
5. THEN THOSE TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
6. THE TPTIN IS MY MESSAGE
7. COLLAGE TO PHOTO AS BPT, LPTIN, THE
FFL RESISTANCE, TO TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
2. TPTIN BPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN - BPT
TPTIN BPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
3. TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
4. RESISTANCE OF LPTIN, ALL TPTIN, TO BPT
GOD'S MESSAGE
1. I WILL STAY MY MESSAGE OF THE COTTER
1. GOD'S MESSAGE IS TO CONTINUE TO BPT
STAYIN OF HIS PEOPLE
2. NO PHOTOS IF BPT OF BPTIN TPTIN OF
PHOTOS, BPTIN BPTIN TPTIN
3. I WILL HAVE BPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
JHPT, BPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
WE'RE WRITING FOR LPTIN
4. FFL NOTE OF TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
PHOTOS - BPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN TPTIN
OF BPTIN
Hand of Resistant finished at TPTIN